

# SURROUND CODE MIGRATION



## Web interfaces, scripts, reports, data extract, etc... What do I do with all this surround code?

Application vendors work hard to make sure that their applications migrate smoothly between computing platforms and Operating Systems. Users must consider the 'surrounding code' that helps with the presentation and use of data from the application environment. Surrounding every application environment, there are a collection of 'utilities', interfaces, and application programs which typically complete or help in the processing of corporate data, tailoring the environment to the organizations needs. Migrating these tools, interfaces, and applications and/or their functionality and files to the new target platform can be challenging.

### Examples of Surround Code are:

- Data reporting/extracting tools and files
- Job scheduling
- Populating and printing of forms
- Backups
- Security enhancement tools and files
- Email and fax generation
- Editors
- Web interfaces
- EDI transaction files
- EDI partner profile

In most cases it is necessary to find an alternate tool to replace the functionality on the new platform. In other cases, the tool may no longer be required as the new application will provide the functionality.

Challenges present themselves when an organization attempts to determine what is currently in place & actively used. Most companies have reports, data extracts, user interfaces, etc. that were either put in place by the end user department (spreadsheets for example) or long ago by IT. The documentation & implementation of these processes/tools may have gone astray or were never created in the first place.

MB Foster's knowledge & expertise in this area can help you avoid costly errors. Not only will we tell you how to migrate the functionality, we will document the process, help you with the implementation and test the results.

### About MB Foster

MB Foster has been providing data access, transformation and delivery tools and services to Hewlett-Packard users for over 30 years. Manipulating data requires knowledge of the data repositories, and the applications that handle and store the data. Our expertise in this area is second to none.

We have, since 1996 been providing Hewlett-Packard with data access solutions for integration into Business Critical Servers (BCS) and we have been the lab for supporting and developing these products.

Our expertise and knowledge of Hewlett-Packard platforms made us the obvious choice as a selected charter member of the HP3000 Platinum Migration Partner Program. In addition to our own expertise we have forged relationships with "best in class" partners, to ensure that we can offer our customers the best possible solutions for their migration.

MB Foster's Professional Services Team is familiar with the risks involved when migrating mission critical applications. Their knowledge of HP3000, OpenVMS, UNIX, Windows and Linux is unparalleled and they are well versed in new technologies. With MB Foster on your team you can rest assure that your migration will be completed successfully - on time and on budget.

